(e) what is the reward awarded to the police for arresting Tyagi and his gang?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM). (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) We have no such information

(c) This relates to the Govt of Uttar Pradesh and the Central Government have no such information

(d) He is alleged to have been involved in the commission of murders in Shahdara, Azadpur and Lajpat Nagar He is also alleged to have been involved in a case of armed robbery in Greater Kailash It is further reported that the was involved in a number of murder cases in Uttar Pradesh

(e) Constable Naresh Kumar has been promoted as Head Constable One Head Constable and 2 Home Guards were sanctioned cash award of Rs 100/- each

Opinion of US experts on Indian capabilities for Light combat Aircraft

2314 SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE
SHRI K MOHANAN.

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of 17th October, 1986 under the caption "Light Combat Aircraft beyond India's capability;

(b) if so, whether the US experts have expressed the belief that project LCA is beyond India's reach,

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction in this regard, and

(d) whether Government propose to take up the matter with US Government; if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) to (d) It is known that some experts held the view that LCA is an ambitious project The Government and concerned Indian scientists and engineers and the Indian Air Force are committed to make the LCA a success.

Commissions to submit their reports

2315 SHRI V GOPALSAMY
SHRI K GOPALAN

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) how many commissions submitted their reports to Government during the last three years together with names of these commissions, date on which they were appointed, expenditure incurred, whether reports were made public or not and if not the reasons therefor; and also action taken by Government on each of the report;

(b) how many commissions are presently functioning which are yet to submit their reports together with their names, terms of reference, date on whch they were appointed, expenditure incurred as on date and when these are likely to submit their reports, and

(c) whether Government is likely to initiate expeditious action on all reports on which no action has yet been initiated; if not, reasons therefor in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P CHIDAMBARAM) (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

Offer of nuclear reactors by the USSR

2316 SHRI RAM AWADESH SINGH:
SHRI TALARI MANOHAR.

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that the USSR had recently offered nuclear reactors to India and whether this offer has been finally turned down; if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the nuclear power plant and the Heavy Water plant at Kota have been costly failures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) USSR has offered to assist in the setting up of a nuclear power plant in India Discussions on the technical, financial and other aspects of the offer are continuing with the Soviet authorities.

(b) Unit 2 of Rajasthan Aomic Power Station and Heavy Water Plant at Kota are operating satisfactorily. Unit 1 of R.A.P.S. has encountered a problem with the appearance of cracks in its south end shield. Several approaches are being examined for rehabilitation of the unit. The experience of R.A.P.S. 1 has been valuable for the design of heavy water reactors envisaged in the nuclear power programme.

Shutting down of Dhruva Reactor at the BARC

2317. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prestigious 100 MW research reactor 'Dhruva at the BARC was shut down some time back; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) what was the estimated loss of production as a result thereof;

(c) what are the reasons for not consulting Regulatory Board and for not following its instructions by the BARC; and

(d) what measures are being taken by Government to remove defects in the reactor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Dhruva was made critical on 30th October with the fuel bundles of altered design for a few hours This was primarily to test the control systems The reactor was shutdown for further loading. This has now been accomplished and the reactor has gone into operation satisfactorily with effect from 25th November 1986

(b) This is a reactor for research purposes and hence there is no question of loss of production.

(c) Experiments with Dhruva have always been carried out in close consultation with the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board

(d) There were no defects as such in the reactor. Vibrations experienced by the fuel rods were high. Hence the design has been altered to meet the situation. The New design has been tested for over a 1000 hrs. and has proved to be successful.

Relay of programmes other than National Network from Madras Doordarshan

2318 SHRI M. VINCENT:
SHRI R. T. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Madras Doordarshan is relaying its own programmes from Kodaikanal T. V. station in place of the National net work; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons for delay in relaying the Madras programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Relay of programmes produced at Doordarshan Kendra Madras by the TV transmitter at Kodaikanal would be possible only after the TV-bearer microwave link between Madras and Kodaikanal is commissioned into service by the Department of Telecommuncation. This link is now nearing completion.